

What is claimed is:

1. A lighting apparatus comprising:

decorative lights comprising:

5 electrical wire, and

a plurality of light bulbs electrically connected to the electrical wire; and

a wire coil;

wherein the decorative lights are attached to the wire coil.

10 2. A lighting apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein the wire coil is a
memory wire coil that is expandable and automatically retractable to its original length
when released.

15 3. A lighting apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein the decorative lights
are integrally bound to the wire coil.

4. A lighting apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein the electrical wire
includes at least two intertwined electrical wires, and the wire coil extends between the
intertwined electrical wires.

20

5. A lighting apparatus as claimed in claim 1 wherein the lighting apparatus
is expandable and resiliently retractable to its original length when released.

6. A method for making a decorative lights apparatus comprising the step of attaching decorative lights to a wire coil,

said decorative lights comprising:

electrical wire, and

5 a plurality of light bulbs;

said wire coil being expandable and resiliently retractable to its original length when released.

7. A method as claimed in claim 6 wherein said attaching step includes
10 integrally binding the electrical wire to the wire coil.

8. A method as claimed in claim 6 wherein said attaching step includes extending the wire coil through at least two intertwined wires of the electrical wire.

15